

Brunswick June 13, 1845-

My dear Sir,

Immediately on the receipt of yours of the 23^d of May, I visited the locality of the new *Trillium* with Mr Swallow, who first observed it. We selected a specimen of moderate size then in flower, inclosed it in a box, and sent it by Express to Messrs Pierre & Beck, No. 5. Long Wharf, Boston - requesting them to forward it to you - and hope you received it safely. There were other specimens larger and smaller, not in blossom, but all possessing the same large calyx leaves.

The soil is boggy, in pine woods; and all the specimens in that particular locality have the same character. Mr. S. has this season, while on a journey in the interior, examined hundreds of *Trilliums*; but has seen none like this.

Permit me to say, that Mr George C. Swallow, who first observed this curious *Trillium*, is a graduate of our ~~Academy~~ College, a fine scholar, and is now a teacher of a High School in that place. He is an ardent, industrious, neat, self made botanist, having never enjoyed the benefit of lectures, or the opportunity of examining an extensive herbarium. - I hope he may be able ere long to visit your garden.

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We sometimes meet serious difficulties
in our solitary botanical pursuits - and shall
perhaps trouble you with some specimens
for information.

We have been truly perplexed with the variety
of *Pyrus botryophora*, or *Amelanchier con-*
densis in your Flora of N. America - and
were glad to see your remarks at the close
of that article on the variety of forms, which
it presents, without specific differences.

Don't fail to let us know the results of
your observations on this subject.

Prof. Gray

With much esteem

Yrs
J. C. Coulter

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